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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: Application of MISHIMA, Setsuo, TAKAO, Hidemi, HARA, Ken-ichiro, FUJITA, Etsuo
MARAGING STEEL AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME
Assignee: **HITACHI METALS, LTD.**
Our Ref. Q78557

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 36 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 5 sheet(s) of drawings, a copy of an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>8</u> - 20	=	<u> </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>2</u> - 3	=	<u> </u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Base Fee								\$770.00

TOTAL FILING FEE	\$770.00
Recordation of Assignment	\$40.00
TOTAL FEE	\$810.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2002-335248	November 19, 2002
Japan	2003-031453	February 7, 2003

The priority document(s) will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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